House Resolution No. 96

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize a remarkable business which continues to evoke a profound sense of nostalgia for days gone by; and

Whereas, Henderson's Drug Store in Glasgow, Missouri, was established in 1841, since which time five generations of Hendersons have owned the family business; and

Whereas, currently operated by pharmacists Bill Henderson and his son, David, Henderson's Drug Store was established one hundred sixty-one years ago by Bill's great-grandfather, Osborne Henderson, when he bought out Dr. Ober's interest in an apothecary shop; and

Whereas, Henderson's Drug Store has survived everything throughout its history, including a Civil War battle, which leveled an entire block of the town in 1864, to a flue fire at its current location which threatened to close the pharmacy for good in 1947; and

Whereas, Henderson's Drug Store is equipped with an old-fashioned soda fountain and a menu that offers burgers and such tasty treats as fresh-squeezed orangeade, cherry phosphates, malts, shakes, sarsaparilla, and ice cream sodas, all of which have been served by Bill's wife Delma, David's wife Sarah, and long-time employees Jeanie Strodtman and Susan Peuster; and

Whereas, open 365 days a year, Henderson's Drug Store is known not only as a business customers can count on, but also as a place where they can stop, sit for a spell, chat with friends, and feel like family:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in commending and applauding Henderson's Drug Store and its proprietors for their admirable efforts which have made it a model for all business in and around the Glasgow community and in further extending our very best wishes for continued success; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Henderson's Drug Store.

Offered by
Representative Wes Shoemyer
District No. 9
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 96, adopted January 21, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker